## Introduced by Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review Senator Karnette

February 22, 2000

An act relating to public social services, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately. An act to amend Sections 20543, 20544, and 20563 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, relating to taxation, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1664, as amended, Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review Karnette. Budget Act implementation: State Supplementary Program Franchise and income tax laws: seniors' tax assistance: full value: property tax equivalent.

Gonsalves-Deukmejian-Petris The Senior Citizens Tax Assistance Law provides for payment of **Property** assistance by the Franchise Tax Board to claimants, whether those claimants own or rent their residences, in accordance with schedules that reduce the amount of assistance provided as the amount of a claimant's household income increases along a specified scale of household income amounts. The amount of assistance for a claimant owning his or her residential dwelling is a specified percentage, based on household income, of tax on the first \$34,000 of full value. The amount of assistance for a claimant renting his or her residence is a specified percentage, based on household income, of the statutory property tax equivalent of \$250.

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This bill would provide a one-time 150% increase in property tax assistance payments for low-income senior citizens and disabled individuals for the 2000–01 fiscal year, as provided.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Existing law provides for the State Supplementary Program for the Aged, Blind, and Disabled (SSP), under which state funds, used in combination with federal funds provided for under the Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Program are used to provide cash assistance to low-income aged, blind, and disabled persons.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to make the necessary statutory changes to implement the Budget Act of 2000 relative to the SSP benefits.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Vote:  $\frac{2}{3}$ . Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

## 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature in

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- 2 SECTION 1. Section 20543 of the Revenue and 3 Taxation Code is amended to read:
- 4 20543. (a) (1) The amount of assistance for a 5 claimant owning his or her residential dwelling shall be 6 based on claimant's household income for the period set 7 forth in Section 20503.
  - (2) The Except as provided in paragraph (3), the percentage of assistance for which each claimant owning his or her residential dwelling shall be eligible shall be based on the following scale:

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The percentage of tax on the first \$34,000 of full value (as determined for tax purposes) used to in this part) is not more than:

The percentage of tax on the first \$34,000 of full value (as determined for tax purposes) used to provide assistance is:

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1	3,520	94
2	3,740	92
3	3,960	90
4	4,180	88
5	4,400	86
6	4,620	84
7	4,840	82
8	5,060	80
9	5,280	78
10	5,500	76
11	5,720	73
12	5,940	69
13	6,160	65
14	6,380	61
15	6,600	57
16	6,820	53
17	7,040	49
18	7,260	45
19	7,480	41
20	7,700	37
21	7,920	34
22	8,140	31
23	8,360	28
24	8,580	25
25	8,800	22
26	9,020	20
27	9,240	18
28	9,460	16
29	9,680	14
30	9,900	12
31	10,450	10
32	11,000	8
33	11,550	7
34	12,100	6
35	12,650	5
36	13,200	4
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38 (3) For claims filed with respect to the 2000 calendar 39 year, the percentage of assistance for which each SB 1664 **—4** —

1 claimant owning his or her residential dwelling shall be 2 eligible shall be based on the following scale: 3

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4		The percentage of tax on
5		the first \$34,000 of full
6		value (as determined for
7	If the total household income (as defined	tax purposes) used to
8	in this part) is not more than:	provide assistance is:
9	\$8,498	240%
10	9,065	235
11	9,631	230
12	10,198	225
13	10,765	220
14	11,331	215
15	11,897	210
16	12,464	205
17	13,031	200
18	13,598	195
19	14,164	190
20	14,730	183
21	15,297	173
22	15,864	163
23	16,430	153
24	16,997	143
25	17,563	133
26	18,129	123
27	18,697	113
28	19,263	103
29	19,830	93
30	20,396	85
31	20,962	78
32	21,530	70
33	22,096	63
34	22,662	55
35	23,229	50
36	23,795	45
37	24,362	40
38	24,929	35
39	25,495	30
40	26,912	25

1	28,328	20
2	29,745	18
3	31,161	15
4	32,578	13
5	33,993	10

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- (b) With respect to assistance that is provided by the Franchise Tax Board pursuant to this chapter for the 1999 calendar year, the household income figures set forth in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) shall be multiplied by a 10 factor of 2.51.
- (c) With respect to assistance that is provided by the 13 Franchise Tax Board pursuant to this chapter for the 2000 14 calendar year and each year thereafter, the household income figures that apply to assistance provided by the 16 Franchise Tax Board during that period shall be the household income figures that applied to assistance provided by the Franchise Tax Board in the same period the immediately preceding year, multiplied by inflation factor calculated as follows:
- (1) On or before February 1 of each year, 22 Department of Industrial Relations shall transmit to the 23 Franchise Tax Board the percentage change in the 24 California Consumer Price Index for all items from June 25 of the second preceding calendar year to June of the immediately preceding calendar year.
  - (2) The Franchise Tax Board shall add 100 percent to the percentage change figure that is furnished pursuant to paragraph (1) and divide the result by 100.
  - (3) The Franchise Tax Board shall multiply immediately preceding household income figure by the inflation adjustment factor determined in paragraph (2), and round off the resulting product to the nearest one dollar (\$1).
- 35 *SEC.* 2. Section 20544 of the Revenue and Taxation 36 *Code is amended to read:*
- assistance 37 20544. (a) (1) The amount of for claimant renting his or her residence shall be based on the 38 claimant's household income for the time period set forth in Section 20503.

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1 (2) The—Except as provided in paragraph (3), the 2 percentage of assistance for which each claimant renting 3 his or her residence shall be eligible shall be based on the 4 following scale:

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6			The percentage of	the
7	If the total household	The statutory	statutory property tax	
8	income (as defined in this	property tax	equivalent used to	)
9	part) is not more than:	equivalent is:	provide assistance	e is:
10	\$3,300	\$250		96%
11	3,520	250		94
12	3,740	250		92
13	3,960	250		90
14	4,180	250		88
15	4,400	250		86
16	4,620	250		84
17	4,840	250		82
18	5,060	250		80
19	5,280	250		78
20	5,500	250		76
21	5,720	250		73
22	5,940	250		69
23	6,160	250		65
23 24	6,380	250		61
24 25	6,600	250		57
	6,820	250		53
26	7,040	250		49
27	7,260	250		45
28	7,480	250		41
29	7.700	250		37
30	7.020	250		34
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33	8,360	250		28
34	8,580	250		25
35	8,800	250		22
36	9,020	250		20
37	9,240	250		18
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39	9,680	250		14
40	9,900	250		12

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8 (3) For claims filed with respect to the 2000 calendar 9 year, the percentage of assistance for which each 10 claimant renting his or her residence shall be eligible shall 11 be based on the following scale:

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14	If the total household	The statutory	statutory propert	-
15	income (as defined in this	property tax	equivalent used i	
16	part) is not more than:	equivalent is:	provide assistan	ce is:
17	\$8,498	\$625		96%
18	9,065	625		94
19	9,631	625		92
20	10,198	625		90
21	10,765	625		88
22	11,331	625		86
23	11,897	625		84
24	12,464	625		82
25	13,031	625		80
26	13,598	625		<i>78</i>
27	14,164	625		76
28	14,730	625		73
29	15,297	625		69
30	15,864	625		65
31	16,430	625		61
32	16,997	625		57
33	17,563	625		53
34	18,219	625		49
35	18,697	625		45
36	19,263	625		41
37	19,830	625		37
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39	20,962	625		31
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6	24,929	625	14
7	25,495	625	12
8	26,912	625	10
9	28,328	625	8
10	29,745	625	7
11	31,161	625	6
12	32,578	625	5
13	33,993	625	4
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- (b) With respect to assistance that is provided by the 16 Franchise Tax Board pursuant to this chapter for the 1999 calendar year, the household income figures set forth in paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) shall be multiplied by a factor of 2.51.
- (c) With respect to assistance that is provided by the 21 Franchise Tax Board pursuant to this chapter for the 2000 calendar year and each year thereafter, the household 23 income figures that apply to assistance provided by the 24 Franchise Tax Board during that period shall be the 25 household income figures that applied to assistance provided by the Franchise Tax Board in the same period 27 in the immediately preceding year, multiplied by an 28 inflation factor calculated as follows:
- (1) On or before February 1 of each year, 30 Department of Industrial Relations shall transmit to the 31 Franchise Tax Board the percentage change in 32 California Consumer Price Index for all items from June 33 of the second preceding calendar year to June of the 34 immediately preceding calendar year.
- (2) The Franchise Tax Board shall add 100 percent to 36 the percentage change figure that is furnished pursuant to paragraph (1) and divide the result by 100.
- 38 (3) The Franchise Tax Board shall multiply 39 immediately preceding household income figure by the inflation adjustment factor determined in paragraph (2),

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and round off the resulting product to the nearest one 2 dollar (\$1).

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- SEC. 3. Section 20563 of the Revenue and Taxation Code is amended to read:
- 20563. (a) The claim on which the assistance is based 6 shall be filed after May 15 July 1 of the fiscal year for which assistance is claimed but on or before August 31 October 15 succeeding the fiscal year for which assistance is claimed. The Franchise Tax Board may thereafter accept 10 claims through June 30 succeeding the fiscal year for which assistance is claimed.
- (b) The state shall assist the claimant after June 30 July 15 and before October 31 November 15 of the calendar 14 year in which the claim is filed, except that if the claim is 15 defective, assistance shall be made as promptly as is 16 practicable after the claim has been perfected.
- (c) A claimant who, because of a medical incapacity, 18 is prevented from filing a timely claim, shall be permitted to file a claim within six months after the end of his or her medical incapacity or three (3) years succeeding the end of the fiscal year for which assistance is claimed, whichever date is earlier.
- SEC. 4. This act is an urgency statute necessary for 24 the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, 25 or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the 26 Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:
- In order to provide a one-time increase of property tax 29 assistance payments for low-income seniors and disabled 30 individuals for the 2000-01 fiscal year, it is necessary that 31 this act go into immediate effect.
- 32 enacting this act to make the necessary statutory changes to implement the Budget Act of 2000 relative to the State 34 Supplementary Program, administered by the State 35 Department of Social Services.
- 36 SEC. 2. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the 37 immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

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In order to provide for the administration of this act relating to the State Supplementary Program for the entire 2000–01 fiscal year, it is necessary that this act go into immediate effect.